

Texas dealer gets guru's Rolls-Royces

Associated Press
CARROLLTON—A ritzy, glitzy convoy of 85 Rolls-Royces rolled into Dallas Thursday amid a forest of television cameras and the oohs and aahs of dozens of spectators.
 The fleet of gaily Rollses, formerly the property of the Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh and now of Dallas-area auto dealer Robert Roethlisberger, needed a good wash but otherwise weathered their four-day trek from the guru's defunct commune in central Oregon.
 Thousands of inquiries have flooded his office since Roethlisberger sealed the Rolls deal last week in Rajneeshpuram in Oregon, and he said he has had four offers to buy the whole fleet.

Commune-dwellers sent the cars to their leader (Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh) as gifts, in part because the guru's "bad back was uncomfortable in any other car."
 — Veet Mano, a former member of Rajneesh's public relations staff.

Although reluctant to say how much he paid for the expensive cars, Roethlisberger concedes it was "about \$7 million." That breaks down to about \$82,350 per car—not bad, considering that new Rolls start at about \$110,000.

haven't decided which one yet," she said.

Some of the autos bear the sedate paint jobs that are the hallmark of the dignified Rolls. But others sport flames, fluorescent green metalflake, flowers, sea foam, clouds and lightning bolts that were added at the commune.

The collection also includes an armor-plated stretch limousine whose front doors weigh 600 pounds apiece, he said.

The cars were put up for sale after Rajneesh left the commune Nov. 14 to return to his native India. He was ordered to leave the United States after pleading guilty to two federal immigration charges.

Roethlisberger hired four of the guru's public relations staff temporarily to answer questions about the commune. Veet Mano said his fellow commune-dwellers sent the cars to their leader as gifts, in part because the guru's "bad back was uncomfortable in any other car."

Salvadoran convict seeks delay of execution

Associated Press
HOUSTON—A Salvadoran convict has appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court to delay his scheduled execution for 30 days because he could not get a lawyer.

Guzman, 24, is scheduled to die by lethal injection Monday for the Feb. 4, 1984 murder of a Fort Worth man at a service station near Corsicana.

Guzman told The Houston Post in an interview published Thursday that he was innocent of the slaying.

"I did not kill him. I did not kill him," Guzman said repeatedly, during an interview with The Houston Post. Instead, he blamed the shooting on a companion.

Navarro County authorities, however, say Guzman was the gunman. "They're killing the right man," Corsicana Police Detective Sgt. Lewis Palos said.

Guzman was convicted of murdering 62-year-old Henry Finch at a service station on Interstate 45 south of Corsicana.

Navarro County District Attorney Pat Batchelor, who prosecuted the case, said Guzman and two companions demanded Finch's auto when their own apparently could not be repaired. When Finch attempted to pull one of the men from his auto, Guzman shot him in the chest.

The appeal filed by attorney Will Gray on behalf of Jose Guzman is based on the unavailability of legal counsel at the federal level and on possible regularities in the jury selection process.

Maria Elena Castellanos, a legal adviser to the Jose Guzman Defense Committee, said Guzman was "left hanging without counsel" after the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals upheld the lower court decision Oct. 6.

What's up

- Friday**
- FRESHMAN EMERGING LEADERS SEMINAR:** Applications available through Dec. 11 and are due Dec. 12 in 208 Pavilion.
 - INTERVARSITY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP:** will have a banquet for graduating seniors at 6 p.m. in 206 MSC. Cost is \$10.
 - CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST:** will have a leadership training class at 7 p.m. in 701 Rudder.
 - THE ASSOCIATION OF AMATEUR ASTRONOMERS:** will have a public viewing session of Halley's Comet and other celestial objects at 7 p.m. at Southwood Athletic Park.
 - COLOMBIAN STUDENT ASSOCIATION:** will meet at 7 p.m. at Tampico Tacos in Culpepper Plaza.
 - HILLEL FOUNDATION:** will have Sabbath services and community service night at 8 p.m.
 - CO-OP STUDENTS REGISTRATION:** Students scheduled to work on co-op in Spring 1986 must register now for their co-op course in the Central Co-op Office (Rm. 107 Harrington). For students who do not yet have their co-op job assignments finalized, co-op registration will continue through December 13.
 - MSC HOSPITALITY:** Christmas Can Drive through Dec. 13. Bring cans to 216 MSC, dorms or shuttle buses.
- Saturday**
- HILLEL FOUNDATION:** will have Cabaret Night at 9 p.m.
 - AGGIE RED CROSS:** will meet at Deluxe Burger Bar at 12:30 p.m.
 - THE ASSOCIATION OF AMATEUR ASTRONOMERS:** will have a public viewing session of Halley's Comet and other celestial objects at 7 p.m. at Southwood Athletic Park.
 - FRESHMAN EMERGING LEADERS SEMINAR:** Applications available in 208 Pavilion through Dec. 11 and are due Dec. 12.
- Sunday**
- MSC HOSPITALITY:** will have a Christmas tree lighting ceremony at 9:45 p.m. Reception following the program.
- Monday**
- MSC HOSPITALITY:** Pictures with the Aggie Reindeer and Christmas elves 10 a.m.-2 p.m. by Rudder Fountain. Holiday Fashion Show at noon in MSC Main Lounge presented by Ladies and Lords and MSC Hospitality.
 - MSC INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS COMMITTEE:** will have a panel discussion at 7:30 p.m. in 206 MSC: "The Importance of Second Languages in International Business."
 - PHI THETA KAPPA ALUMNI:** will have a Christmas party at 7:30 p.m. at Kevin Carreather's house (map in Pavilion booth).
 - STUDENT AGRICULTURAL COUNCIL:** will meet at 7 p.m. in 123 Kleberg.

TCU prof winning acclaim for study of American Indian

Associated Press
FORT WORTH — As a kid, Texas Christian University history professor R. David Edmunds always found himself rooting for the Indians in movies.
 He admits his heritage probably had something to do with that. He's one-eighth Cherokee.

"But for the most part, it was just the fascination (with Indians)," said the 46-year-old award-winning author and consultant on Indian affairs.

When he isn't writing about Indians, he is working with universities or Indian tribes as a consultant.

His dedication has reaped many diverse awards, including the 1985 TCU Chancellor's Award for Distinguished Research and Creative Activity — an award that's sweetened with a \$10,000 check.

Along with general history courses at TCU, Edmunds has taught several classes relating to Indians, including one course designed to help future teachers understand the differences between ethnic groups.

When he teaches his ethnicity class, American history begins much earlier than 1492 when Columbus discovered the New World. North America already had viable civilizations by then.

As Columbus landed, an estimated 35,000 people were thriving along the banks of the Mississippi in the city of Cahokia across from what is now St. Louis.

"Inside North America, they had the rise and fall of civilizations just as they (Europeans) did the rise and fall of Greek and Roman empires," Edmunds said.

Experts believe the number of native Americans figures close to 10 million.

Indians' numbers dropped dramatically because they were very susceptible to the Europeans' diseases. Except for dealing with new dis-

eases, Indians were far more advanced in health care and agriculture than Europeans when colonists landed on the eastern shoreline. But, unlike the colonists, they lacked skills in metallurgy and in organization of large numbers of people.

Until the 1930s, their numbers continued to decrease. At that time, health conditions for the tribes improved and the numbers changed directions.

"Now, they are predominantly young and are reproducing so fast that reservations no longer have opportunities for young people," Edmunds said.

About one out of two Indians live in metropolitan areas. Los Angeles has the biggest population, partly because many traveled there when Oklahoma was a part of the Dust Bowl in the 1930s and because of a last-ditch government attempt in the 1950s to assimilate Indians into society, Edmunds said.

The Fort Worth-Dallas area has an Indian population of about 20,000.

Formerly, the major issue for Indians was the return of land taken by whites. Now that demand is giving way to protection of the remaining land base, Edmunds said.

What was given to the Indian as poor, arid land is becoming more valuable. Beneath some of it are layers of coal. Indian land in Arizona encompasses the upper sections of the Colorado River, which holds water sought after by California and Arizona.

Under treaty, many Indians have the right to take vast quantities of water.

"They have not exercised it (the right) in the past," but if they move toward industrialization of their lands a real fight might be brewing, Edmunds said.

"That is the coming thing, and it will get a lot hairier before it is over," he said.

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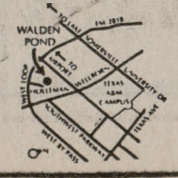
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